



PATENT
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
John BUTLER et al.)	Group Art Unit: 3733
Application No.: 10/665,395)	Examiner: Ramana, Anuradha
Filed: September 22, 2003)	
For: WOUND RETRACTOR SYSTEM)	Confirmation No.: 4412

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed January 29, 2007, the period for response having been extended to July 30, 2007 (July 29, 2007 falling on a Sunday) by the Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are included in the attached replacement drawing sheets. The amendments are discussed on page 11 of this paper.

Remarks follow the amendments sections of this paper.

Attachments include **Replacement Drawing Sheets (4 sheets including FIGS. 43-46).**